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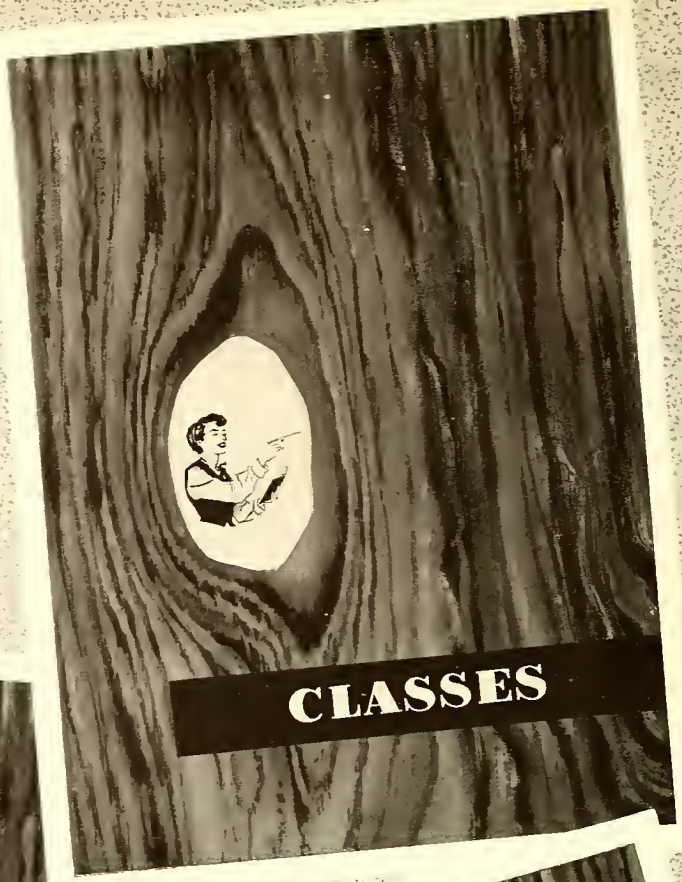
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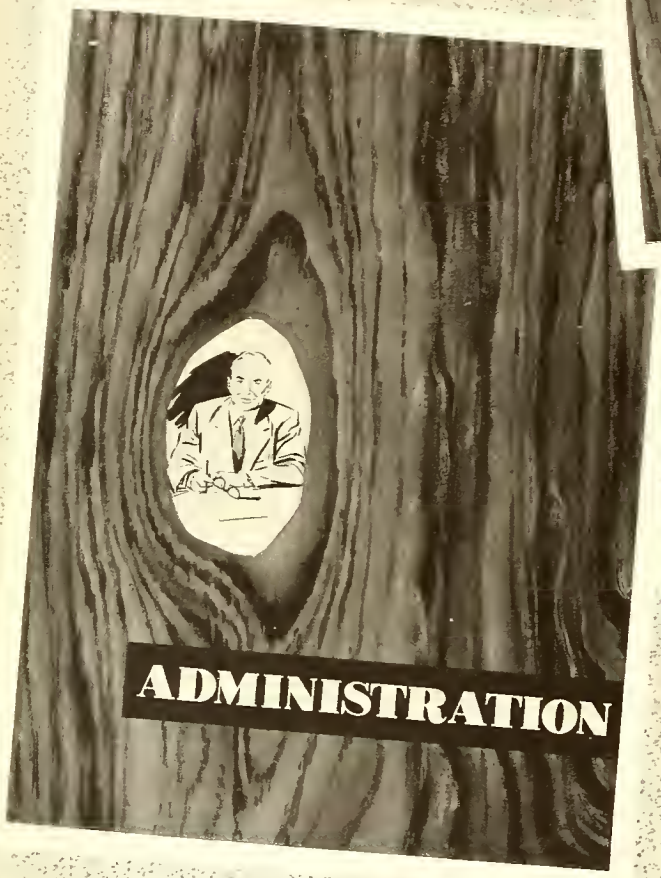
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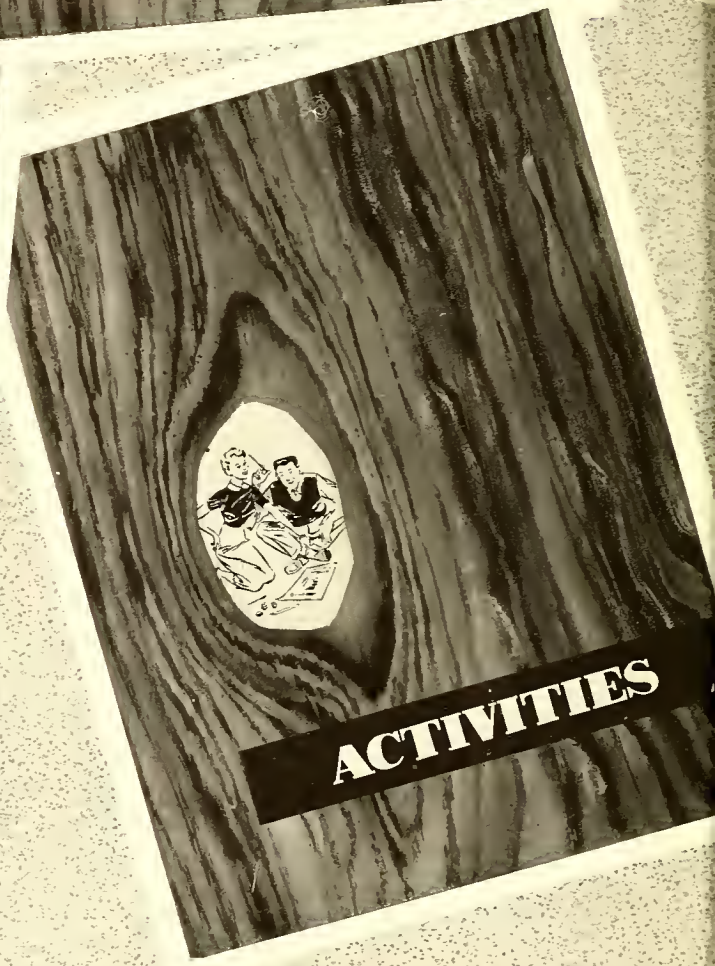
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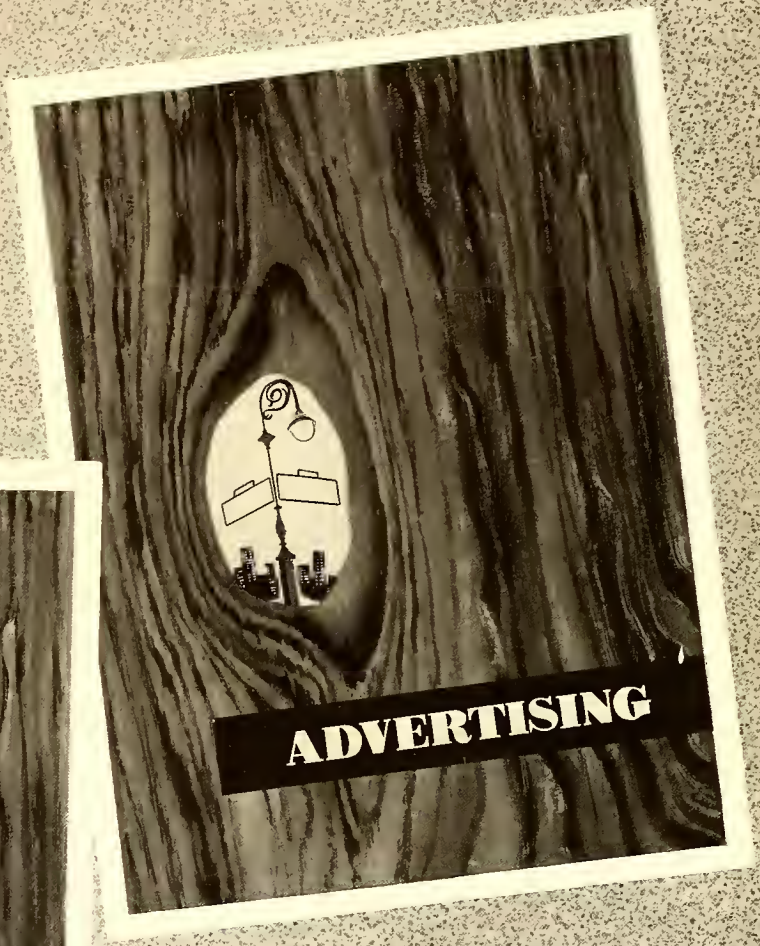

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FOREWORD

This book travels the paths taken by students and the faculty during the '60-'61 school year. Each of us may follow a different path, but the ultimate goal is the same for us all-to better ourselves through education. No matter what path we have chosen to follow, "Tech Paths" has our story. Not only does it record our academic paths, but also many extra curricular activities in which we have participated.

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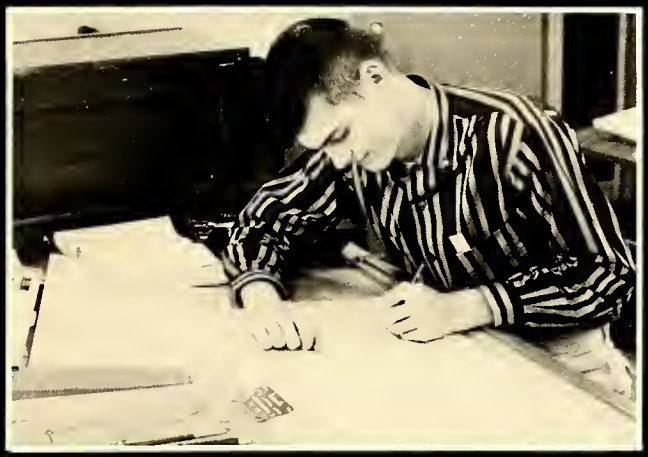
Shadows full of joy and dread,

Each youth must follow as he can,



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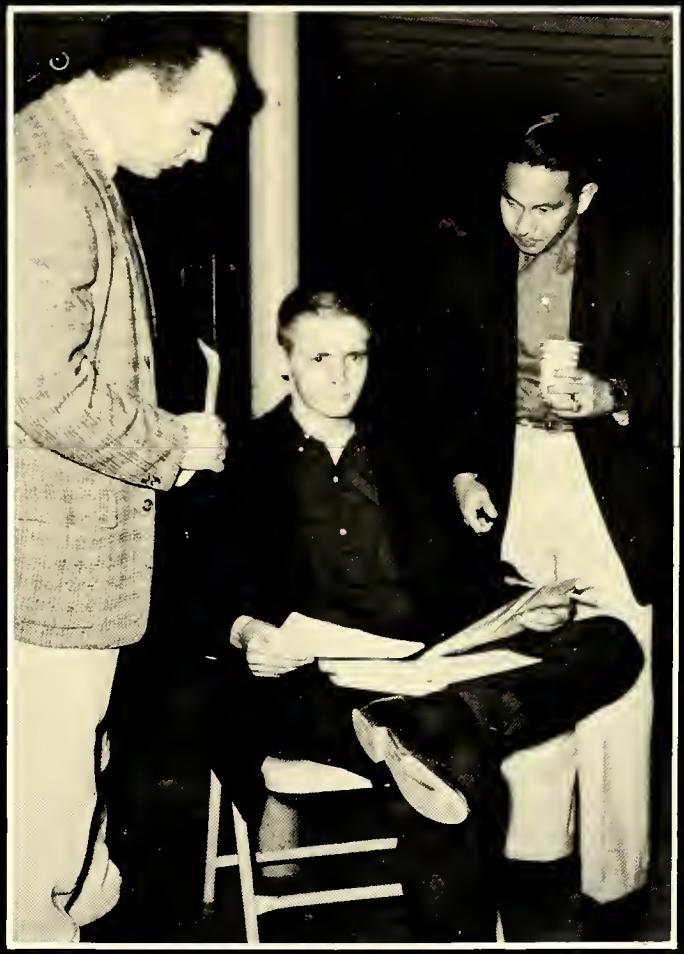
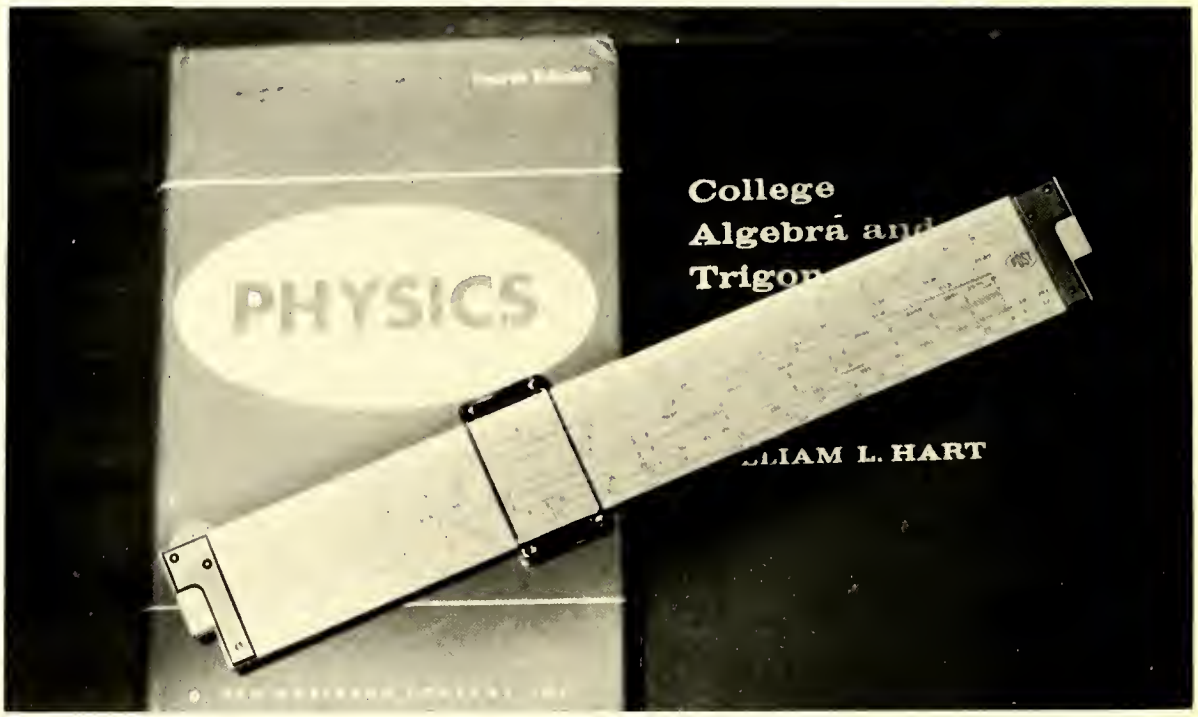


Finding his way and becoming a man.

Freshman Registration

There are sign posts all along the way



Accurate?

Though the path be dark, or light as day.

Broad trees move their beckoning sleeves

I think I just broke Ohm's Law

Physics Lab

Back Campus

The traveller rests beneath the leaves

Annual Staff Meeting

We follow the signs, we climb the grade

Dark Places cause some to be delayed

Who got the bird?

The '8' ball - the hard way.

Electronic Lab

Break Time

But in the distance, far or near

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The open road looms broad and clear

Who can say who sets the pace?

Engineering Drafting

The path of learning is not a race.

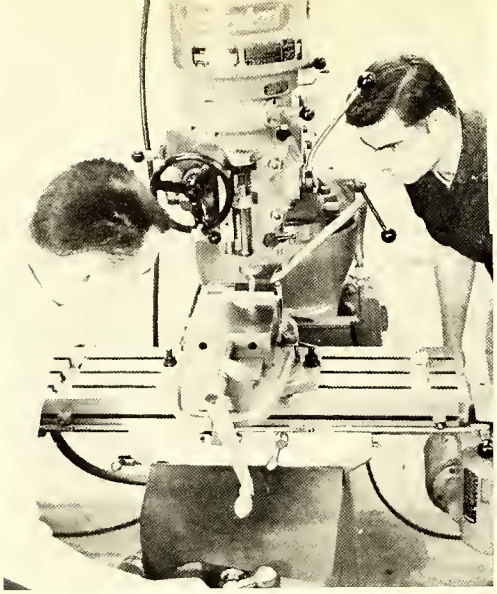
It does give
the answer

But a deep, dark trail of study and play

Pleasure Time

Which leads to graduation day!

Come, travel the



Machine Shop

School Display

Junior-Senior Dance

The shadows
Your

path of knowledge, my friend

Swimming Class

There are wonderful nooks and by ways to wind

Roll Call at Phys. Ed.

are there, but have no fear

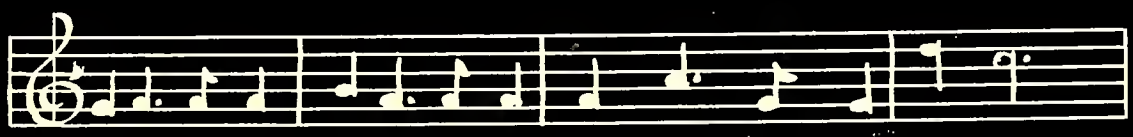
comrades and friends are always near.

Dr. Caldwell Delivering the Commencement Address

ALMA MATER

GAS - TON TECH, THE SCHOOL WE LOVE SO DEAR, OUR SCHOOL OF RED AND

WHITE. WE'LL AL - WAYS FEEL THAT YOU ARE NEAR OUR HEARTS TO GUIDE US RIGHT,



WE'LL DO OUR BEST, OUR LEV - EL BEST, TO PROVE OUR LOY - AL TIE.

NO MAT - TER WHERE OUR PATHS MAY LEAD, WE'RE EV-ER LOY-AL TO G. T. I.

Mary S. Sanders

DEDICATION

This third edition of "Tech Paths" is dedicated to a gentleman whose wise guidance and constant consideration has been an inspiration to all of us.

We, the annual staff, do dedicate this book to the man who has kept Gaston Technical Institute "Rocking" along . . . . . EDWARD G. RUGGLES, director of College Extension, N. C. State College.

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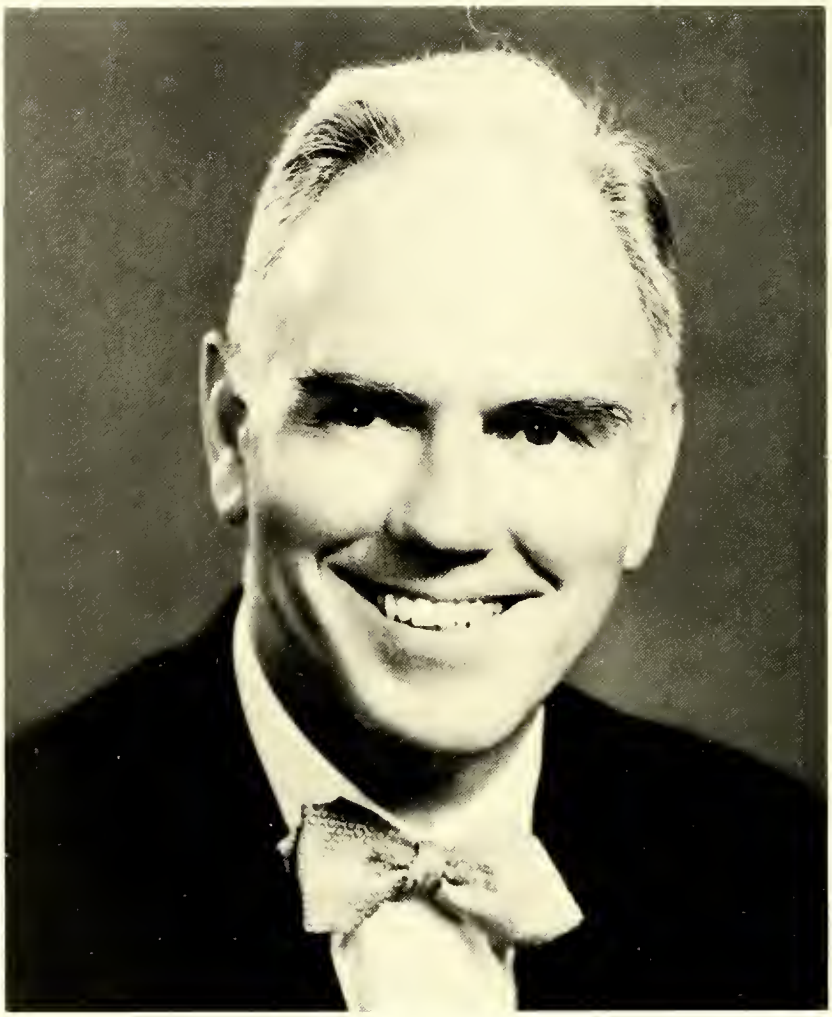

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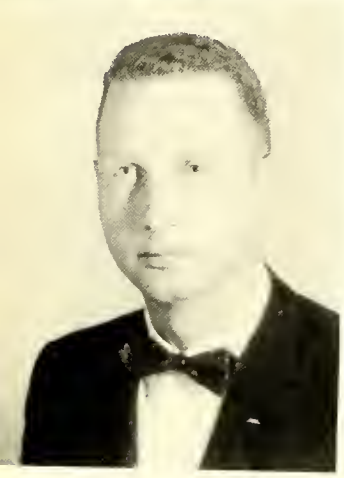

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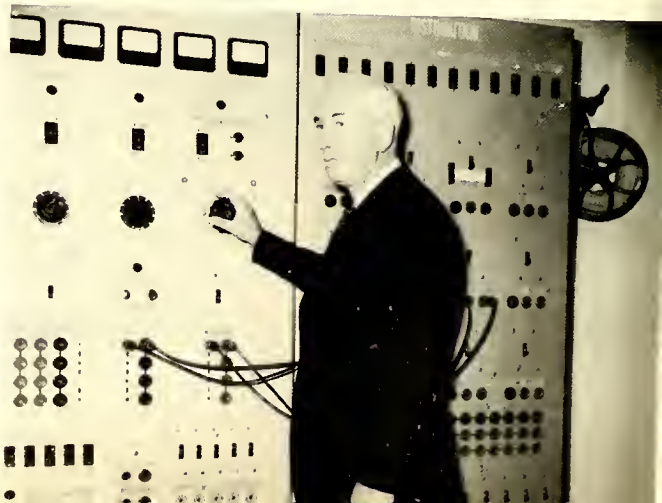

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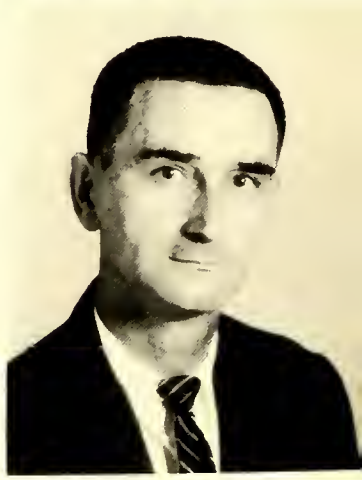

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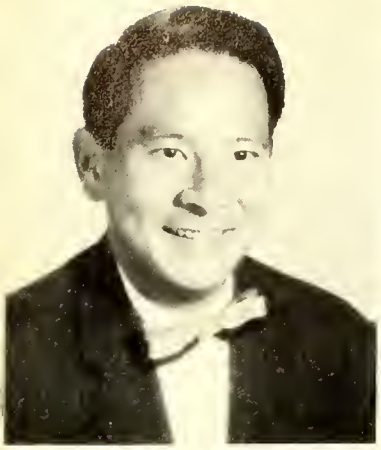

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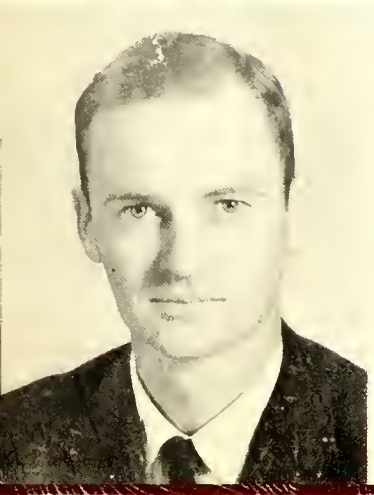

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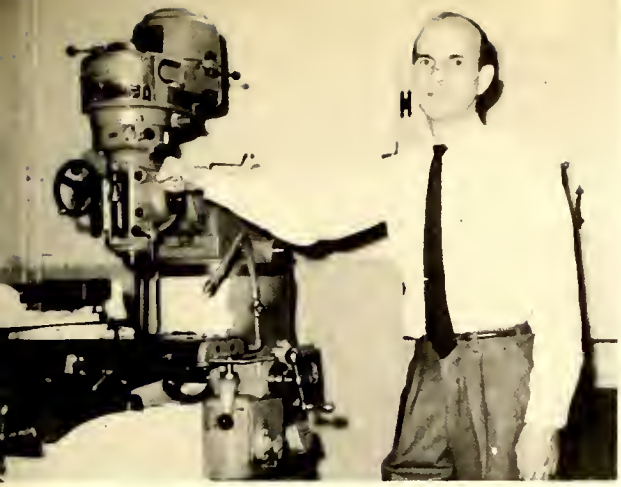

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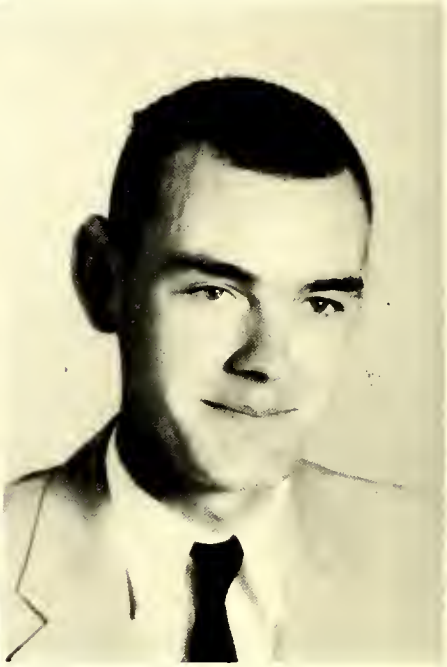

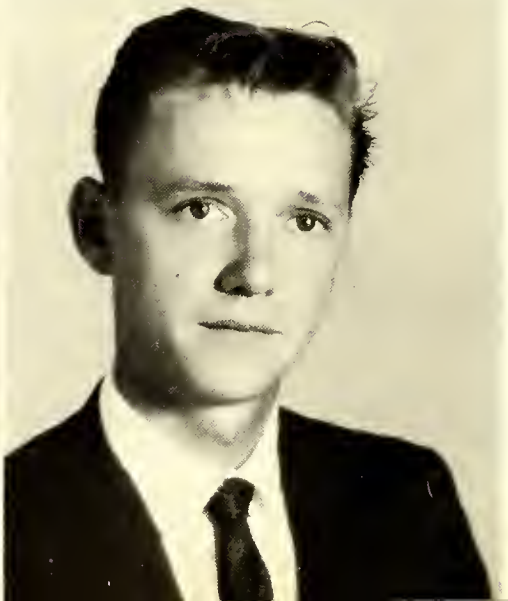

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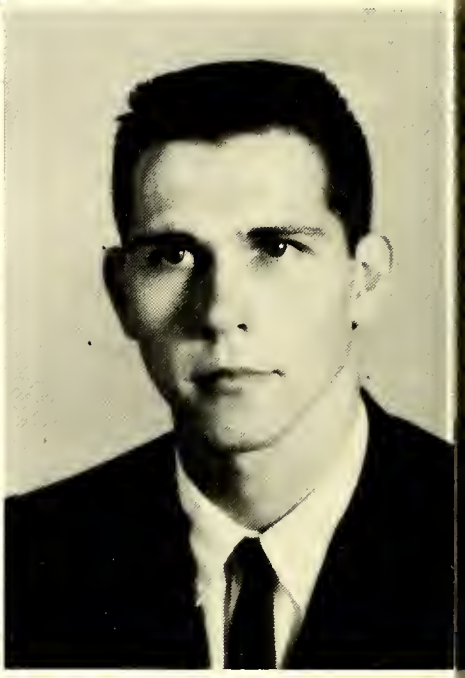

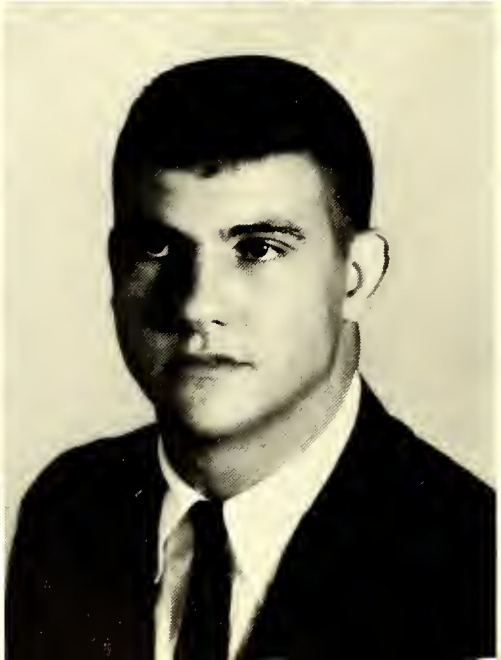

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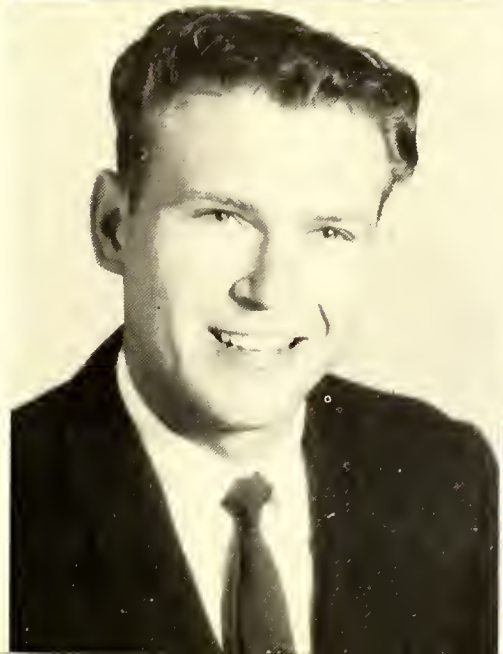

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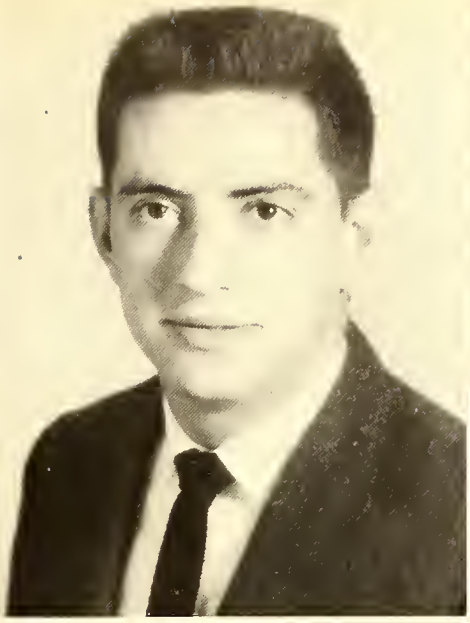

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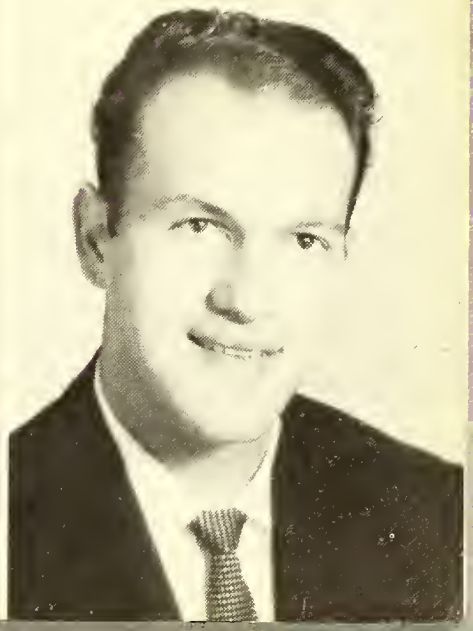

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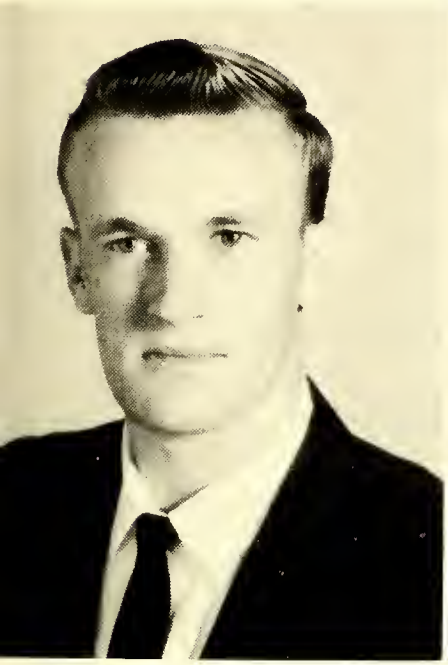

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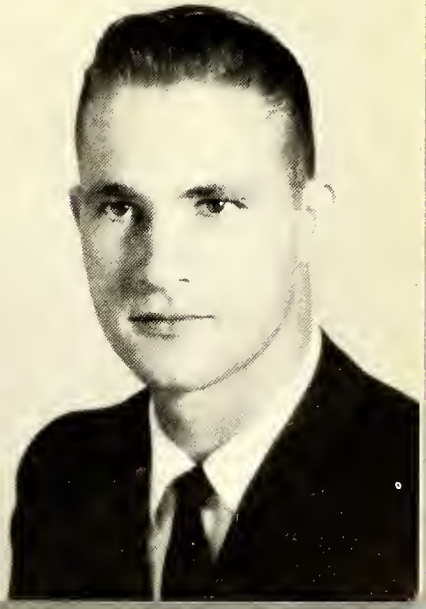

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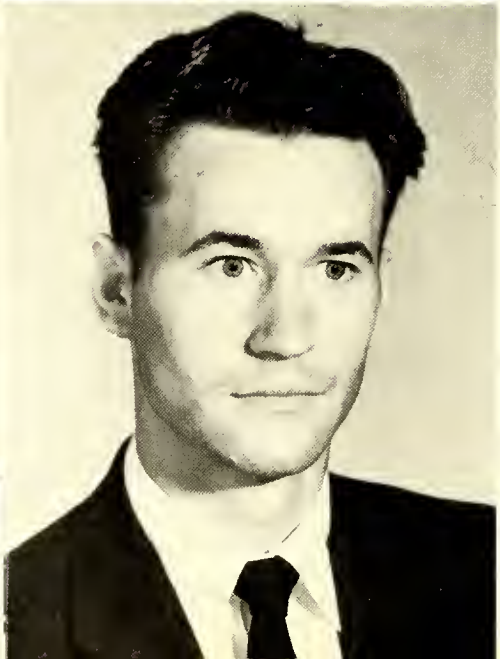

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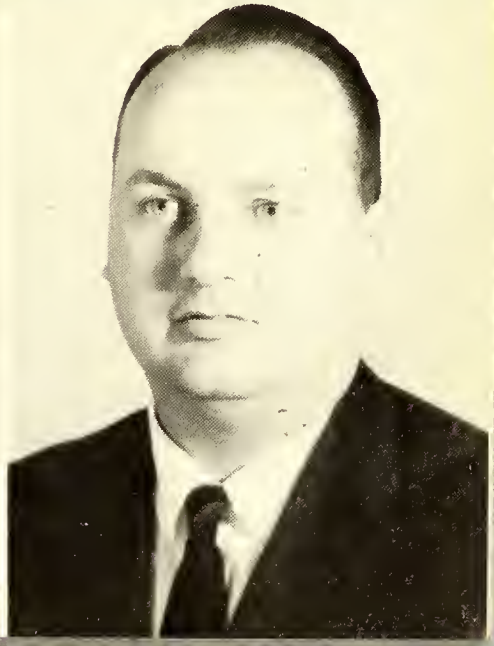

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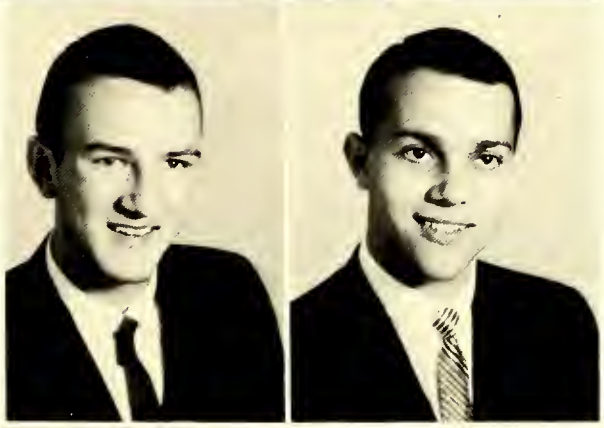

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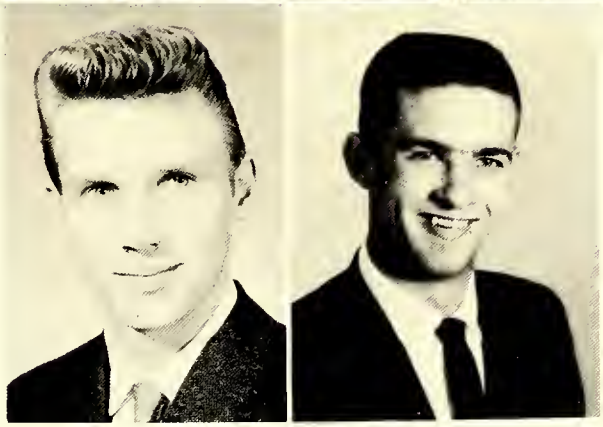

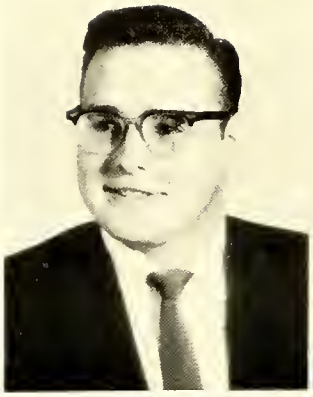

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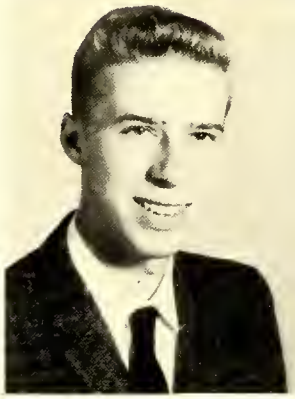

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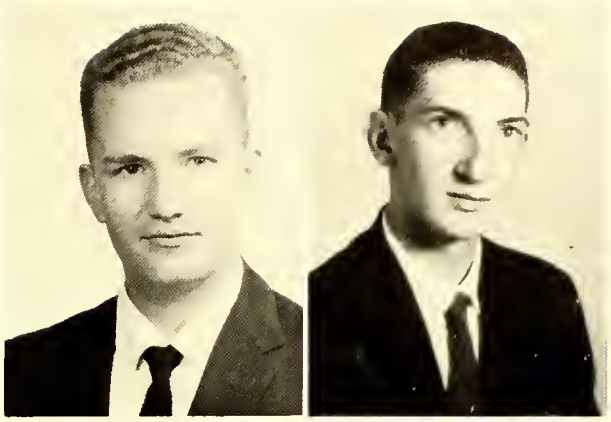

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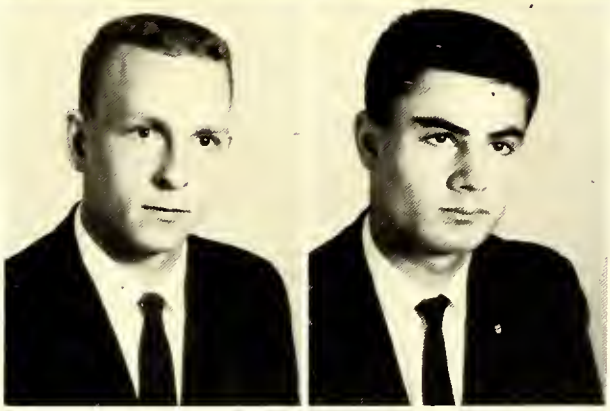

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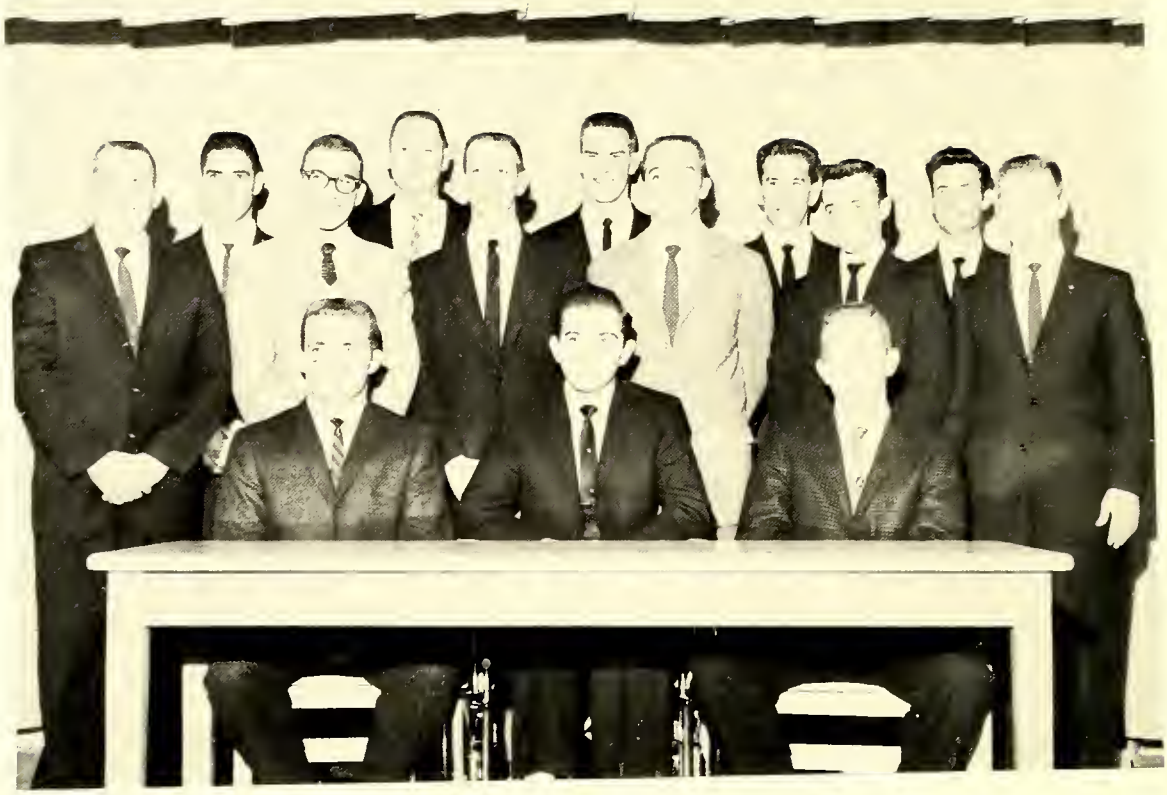

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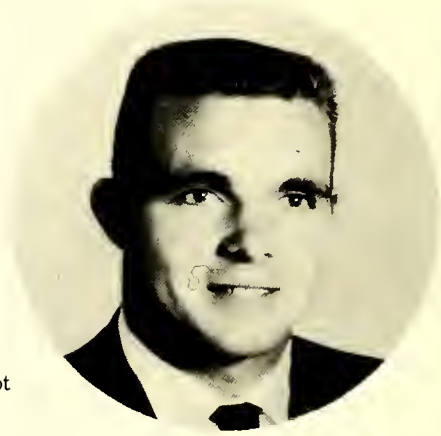

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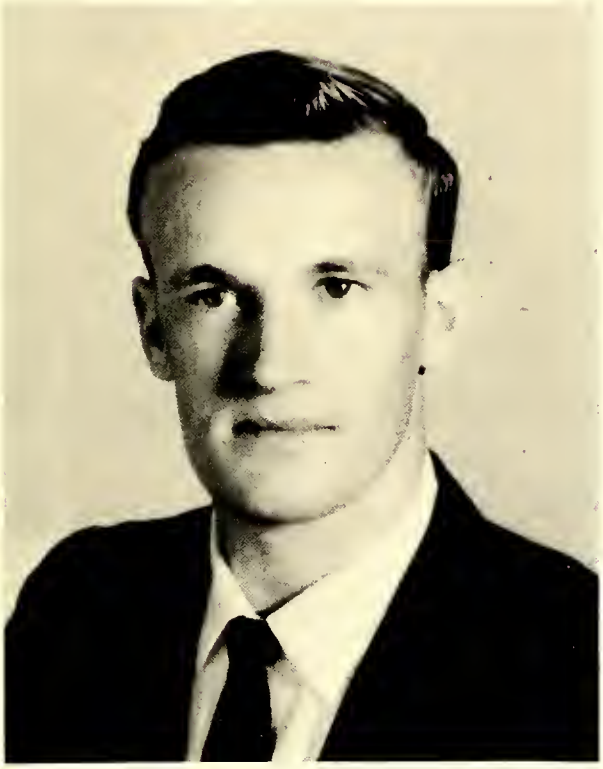

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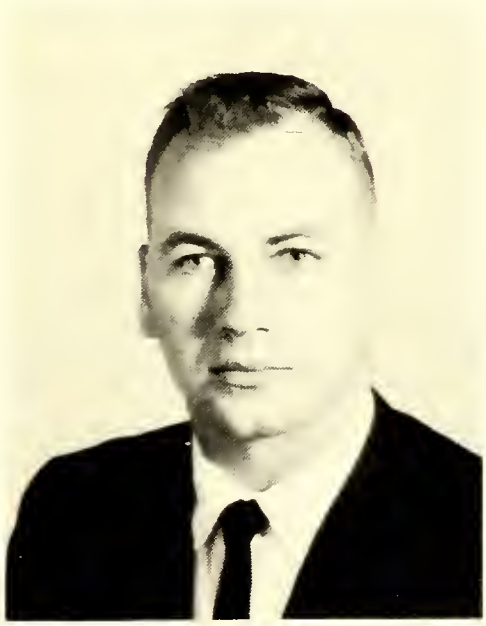

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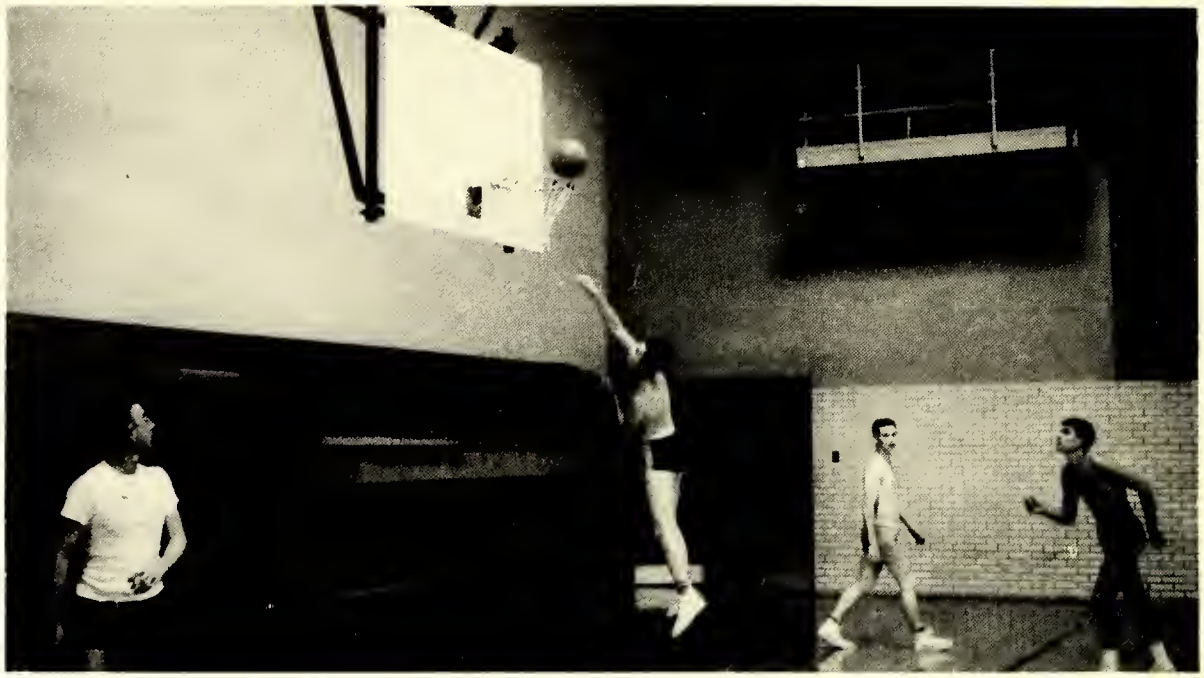

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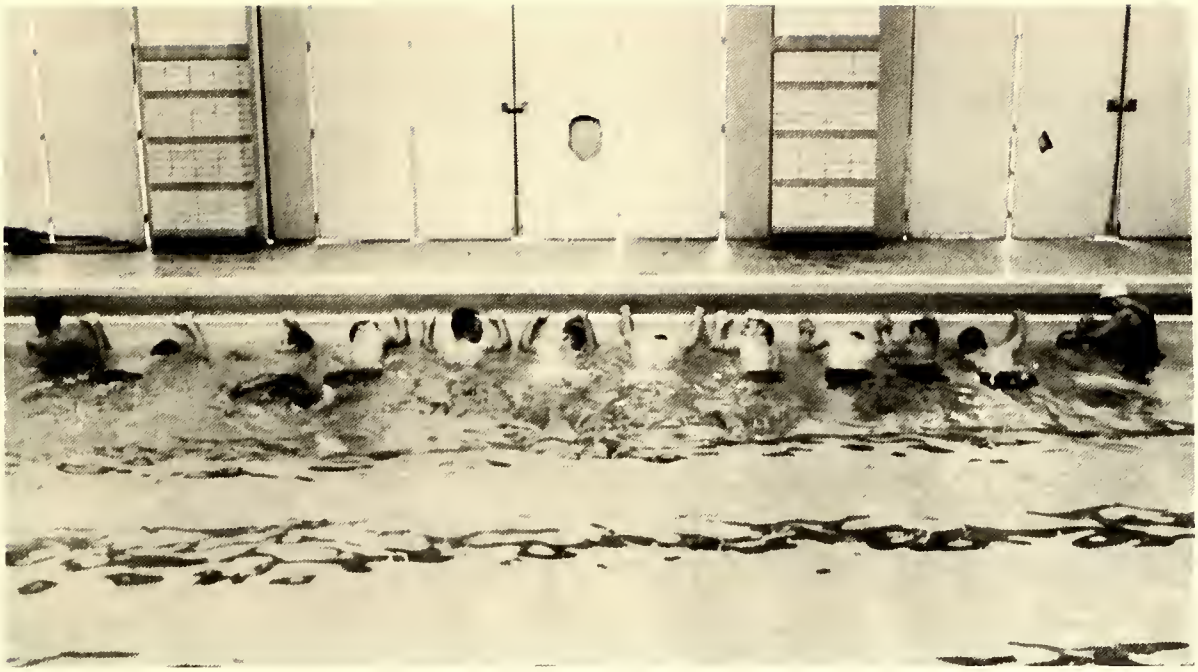

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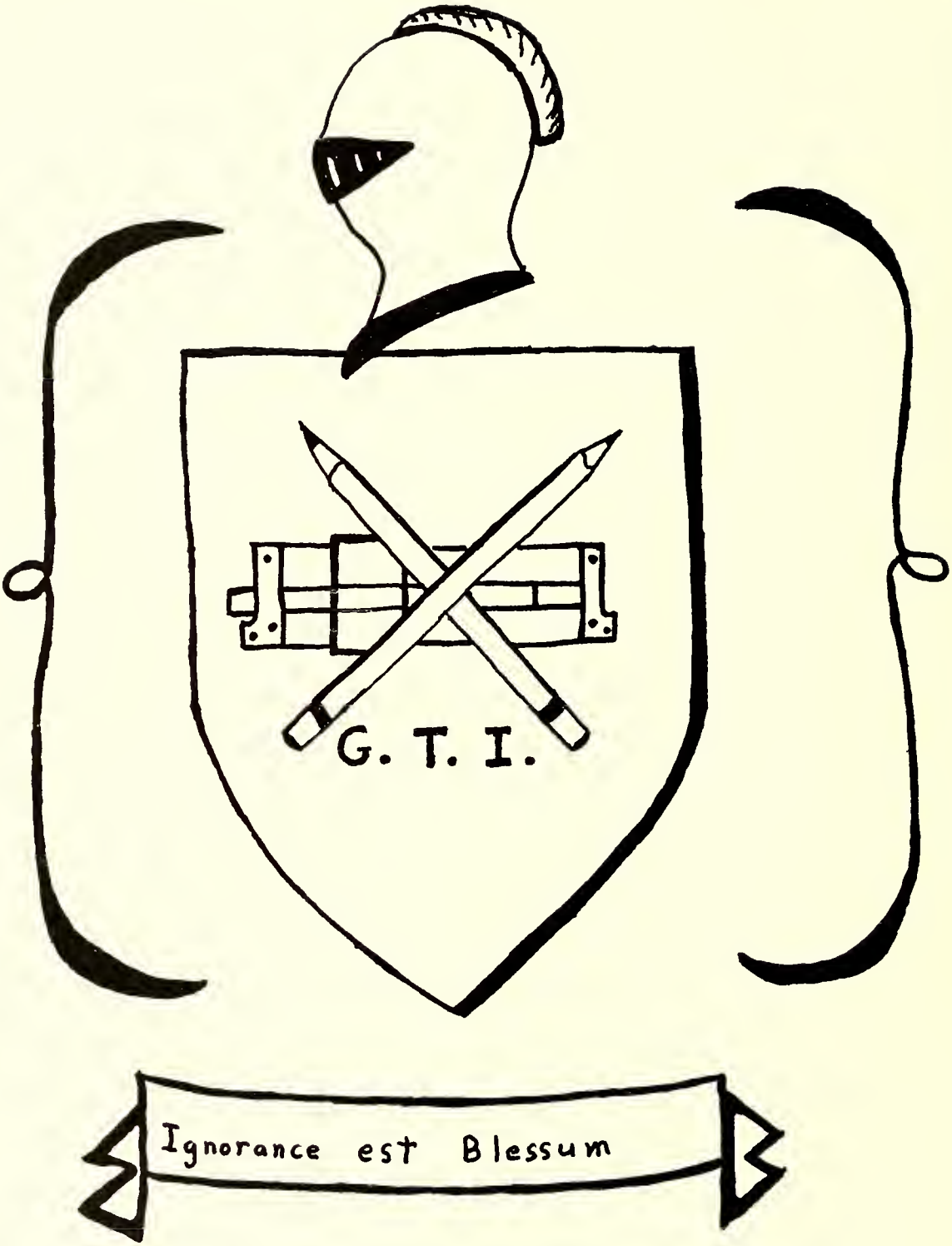
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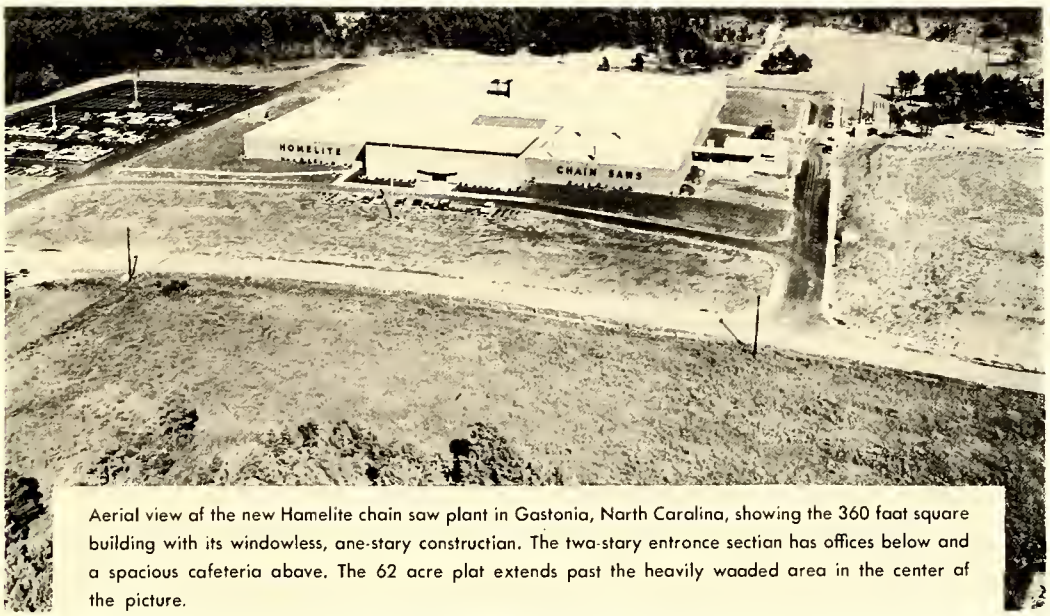

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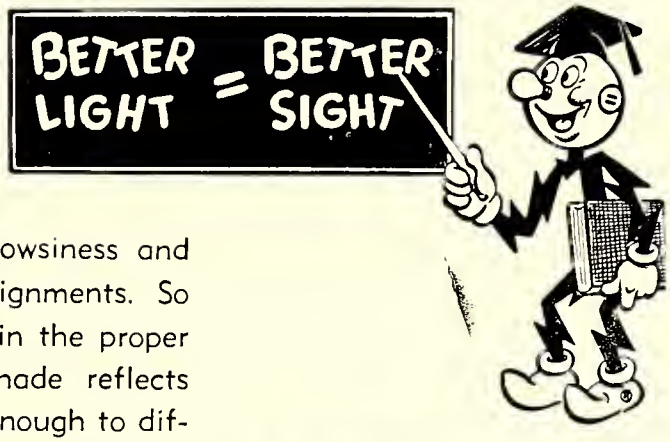

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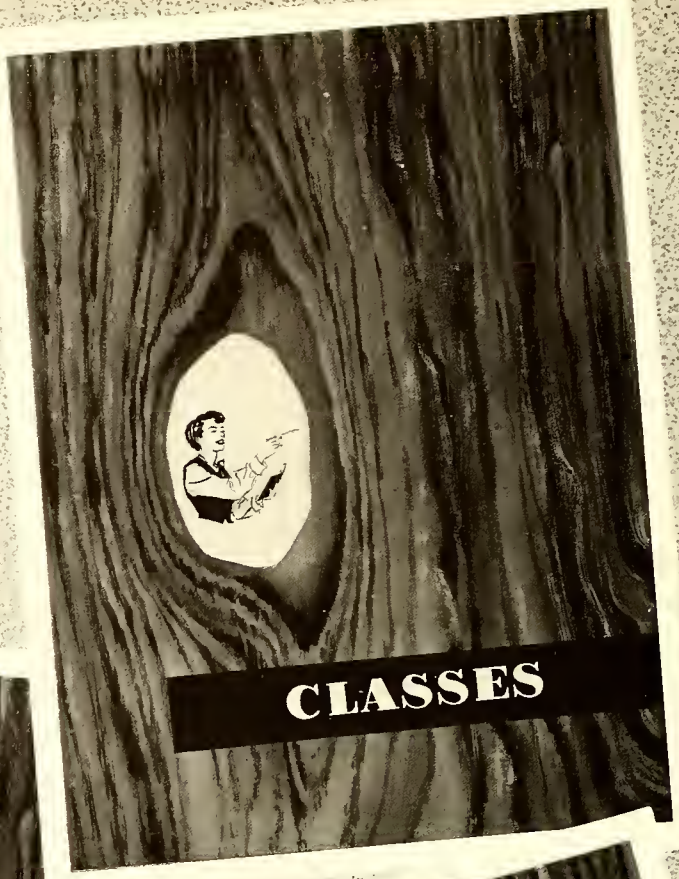
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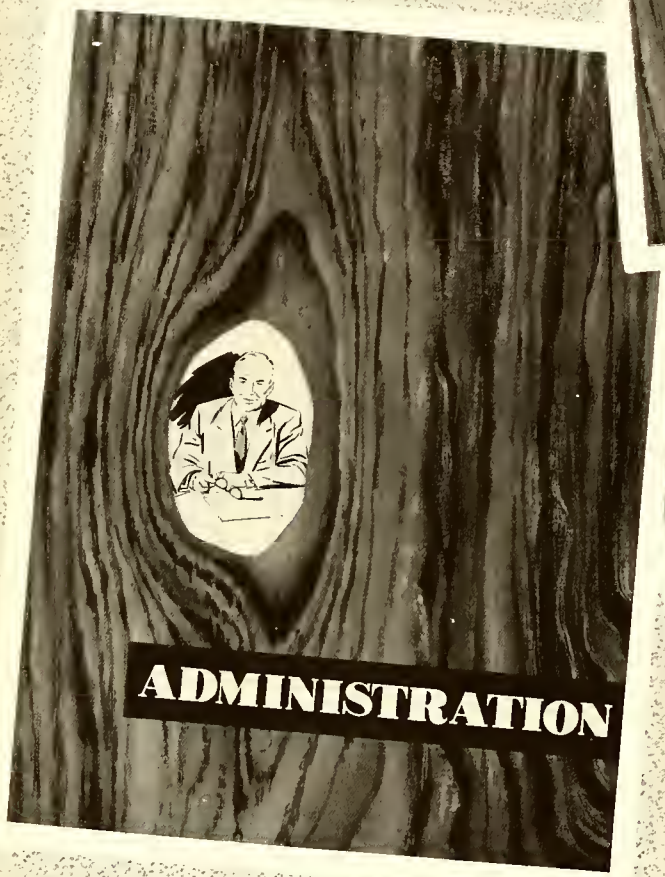
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